ERASMUS SMITH'S SCHOOLS (IRELAND).

ABSTRACT

OF

RETURN to an Order of the Honourable The House of Commons, dated 7 April 1854;—*for*,

RETURNS "Of the GROSS RENTAL of the REAL ESTATES, and of the ANNUAL INCOME from other Sources, of the GOVERNORS of *Erasmus Smith*'s Schools, *Ireland*; with an Account of its Expenditure for Five Years last past:"

"Of the Names of COLLEGES maintained by the GOVERNORS, and the Number of SCHOLARS in each College; specifying the Number of Free Scholars, and distinguishing the Sons of the Tenants on their Estates from other Free Scholars:"

"Of the Names of the several MASTERS, and the Amount of the SALARIES paid to them respectively:"

"Of the Rates of CHARGES for EDUCATION of PUPILS (not being FREE PUPILS) prescribed by Law or by Charter; and also the actual Charges for the Education of such Pupils in the several Colleges:"

"Of the Number and Value of the EXHIBITIONS founded by the GOVERNORS in TRINITY COLLEGE, and the Number of those Exhibitions conferred on Pupils from the Endowed Schools for Ten Years:"

"Of the Names of the GOVERNORS, and the Number of MEETINGS of GOVERNORS held for the last Twelve Months, with the Names of the Governors who attended each of such Meetings:"

"COPIES of the CHARTER of 1669, and of the PRIVATE ACT of the 10th Geo. 1, for the further application of Rents and Profits given by *Erasmus Smith* for Charitable Uses, and of all CHARTERS or GRANTS made by the Crown to *Erasmus Smith* or the Governors, in relation to the *Erasmus Smith* Schools, or for the purposes of Education:"

"Of the RULES and ORDINANCES or STATUTES of the GOVERNORS for the Regulation of the several Colleges and Schools:"

"And, of the Name of any ESTATE or PROPERTY heretofore possessed by the GOVERNORS in the County of *Clare*, and a Return whether the Interest on the same has been lost, or in any and what mode determined."

(*Mr. John Fitzgerald.*)

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RETURN of the Gross Rental of the Real Estates, and of the Annual Income from other Sources, of the Governors of *Erasmus Smith's* Schools, *Ireland*, for Five Years last past.

	GROSS RENTALS, exclusive of Receiver's Fees.	NET PRODUCE to the Governors.	TOTAL RECEIPTS by the Governors.
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
For one Year, ending 1 May 1849:			
Southern Estates	5,543 1 8½	1,450 – –	
Western Estates	3,198 6 5½	2,428 18 4	
Renewal Fines, Interest on Stock, &c.	- - -	378 18 5	
			4,257 16 10
For one Year, ending 1 May 1850:			
Southern Estates	5,387 18 7	2,611 11 11	
Western Estates	3,060 7 3¼	1,732 8 3	
Renewal Fines, Interest on Stock, &c.	- - -	97 12 5	
			4,441 10 7
For one Year, ending 1 May 1851:			
Southern Estates	5,437 8 10	3,884 0 8	
Western Estates	2,983 2 1¼	2,456 4 7	
Renewal Fines, Interest on Stock, &c.	- - -	145 14 –	
			6,466 8 1
For one Year, ending 1 May 1852:			
Southern Estates	3,412 15 –	4,304 17 10	
Western Estates	2,975 11 4	2,397 14 –	
Renewal Fines, Interest on Stock, &c.	- - -	159 8 4	
			6,881 17 2
For one Year, ending 1 May 1853:			
Southern Estates	5,386 12 2	4,250 – –	
Western Estates	3,114 12 8½	3,479 8 6	
Renewal Fines, Interest on Stock, &c.	- - -	33 10 3	
			7,762 18 9

ACCOUNT of its Expenditure for Five Years last past.

	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
Expenditure for one Year, ending 1 May 1849:		
4 Classical Schools: Salaries of Masters	290 17 3	
" Salaries of Ushers	270 16 8	
" Rents, Poor-rates, Insurances, Repairs, and Incidentals	218 2 9	
		779 16 8
Annuity to Christ's Hospital, London (per Charter)	- - -	100 – –
The King's Hospital, Oxmantown: Education and Maintenance of 27 Boys	- - -	674 2 10
English Schools: Salaries and Gratuities of 90 Masters and 27 Mistresses	2,354 11 5	
" Inspections, Rents, Repairs, Requisites, and Incidentals	528 8 8	
		2,882 18 1
Office and Establishment, and Expenses of Management	- - -	525 7 9
	£.	4,963 8 4
Expenditure for one Year, ending 1 May 1850:		
4 Classical Schools: Salaries of Masters	288 18 4	
" Salaries of Ushers	290 – –	
" Rents, Poor-rates, Insurances, Repairs, and Incidentals	282 – 3	
		838 13 7
Annuity to Christ's Hospital, London (per Charter)	- - -	100 – –
Trinity College, Dublin (on account):		
Professors	300 – –	
Fellows	92 6 2	
Exhibitions	360 – –	
		782 8 2

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	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
The King's Hospital, Oxmantown: Education and Maintenance of 27 Boys	- - -	573 - 0
English Schools: Salaries and Gratuities of 88 Masters and 26 Mistresses	2,068 8 10	
" Inspections, Rents, Repairs, Requisites, and Incidentals	500 14 1	
		2,569 2 11
Office and Establishment, and Expenses of Management	- - -	381 5 -
	£.	5,214 9 5
Expenditure for one Year, ending 1 May 1851:		
4 Classical Schools: Salaries of Masters	256 13 4	
" Salaries of Ushers	290 - -	
" Rents, Poor-rates, Insurances, Repairs, and Incidentals	273 15 3	
		830 8 7
Annuity to Christ's Hospital, London (per Charter)	- - -	100 - -
Trinity College, Dublin (on account):		
Professors	300 - -	
Fellows	92 5 2	
Exhibitions	380 - -	
		752 5 2
The King's Hospital, Oxmantown: Education and Maintenance of 27 Boys	- - -	582 - 10
English Schools: Salaries and Gratuities of 83 Masters and 25 Mistresses	1,915 12 -	
" Inspections, Rents, Repairs, Requisites, and Incidentals	449 10 7	
		2,365 2 7
Office and Establishment, and Expenses of Management	- - -	443 12 8
	£.	5,073 10 10
Expenditure for one Year, ending 1 May 1852:		
4 Classical Schools: Salaries of Masters	286 13 4	
" Salaries of Ushers	235 - -	
" Rents, Poor-rates, Insurances, Repairs, and Incidentals	187 17 1	
		660 10 5
Annuity to Christ's Hospital, London (per Charter)	- - -	100 - -
Trinity College, Dublin, balance to 1 May 1851:		
Professors	892 6 2	
Fellows	184 12 4	
Exhibitions	590 15 4	
		1,157 13 10
The King's Hospital, Oxmantown: Education and Maintenance of 27 Boys	- - -	529 9 11
English Schools: Salaries and Gratuities of 82 Masters and 25 Mistresses	1,937 2 11	
" Inspections, Rents, Repairs, Requisites, and Incidentals	458 10 3	
		2,395 13 2
Office and Establishment, and Expenses of Management	- - -	313 2 -
	£.	5,275 2 4
Expenditure for one Year, ending 1 May 1853:		
4 Classical Schools: Salaries of Masters	265 13 4	
" Salaries of Ushers	205 - -	
" Rents, Poor-rates, Insurances, Repairs, and Incidentals	186 17 5	
		658 10 9
Annuity to Christ's Hospital, London (per Charter)	- - -	100 - -
Trinity College, Dublin:		
Professors	92 8 2	
Fellows	92 6 2	
Exhibitions	230 15 4	
		415 7 8
The King's Hospital, Oxmantown: Education and Maintenance of 27 Boys	- - -	873 1 1
English Schools: Salaries and Gratuities of 81 Masters and 25 Mistresses	1,992 4 2	
" Inspections, Rents, Repairs, Requisites and Incidentals	461 5 2	
		2,453 9 4
Office and Establishment, and Expenses of Management	- - -	390 4 5
	£.	4,699 13 4

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RETURN of the Names of Colleges maintained by the Governors, and the Number of Scholars in each College; specifying the Number of Free Scholars, and distinguishing the Sons of the Tenants on their Estates, from other Free Scholars.

NAMES of Grammar Schools maintained by the Governors: Galway, Tipperary, Drogheda, and Ennis.

Number of Scholars in each Grammar School, &c. &c.:

Galway - - - - - - - - - 35

There are five free pupils; three of these are sons of tenants.

Tipperary - - - - - - - - - 24

There are 11 free pupils; two of these are sons of tenants.

Drogheda - - - - - - - - - 34

There are no free pupils. The Governors do not possess any property in the district; and there have not been any recent applications for free admission.

Ennis - - - - - - - - - - 40

Ten of these are free. The Governors have not any property or tenants in the neighbourhood.

RETURN of the Names of the several Masters, and the Amount of the Salaries paid to them respectively.

	£.	s.	d.
Galway: Rev. John Hallowell, A.B., Ex. Sch., T.C.D. (Master) -	66	13	4
Thomas Killeen, Ex. Siz., T.C.D., (2d Master) - - -	60	–	–
Tipperary: Rev. Denis Twiss Riordan, A.B., Ex. Sch., T.C.D., (Master)	66	13	4
Drogheda: Rev. George F. Lacey, M.A., (Master) - - -	66	13	4
There are two Assistant Masters, viz.: Michael F. MacCarthy and Arthur P. Doherty, towards whose remuneration the Governors allow - - - - - - - - -	50	–	–
Ennis: Rev. L. White King, L.L.D., Ex. Sch., T.C.D., (Master) -	66	13	4
Peter Lyons (1st Assistant) - - - - - - -	60	–	–
Em. Wespendorf (2d Assistant) - - - - - -	50	–	–

RETURN of the Rates of Charges for Education of Pupils (not being Free Pupils) prescribed by Law or by Charter; and also the actual Charges for the Education of such Pupils in the several Colleges.

The Charter specifies two shillings entrance, but does not specify the amount of Annual Payment or Rate of Education.

The Rates charged at Galway, are:

	£.	s.	d.	
For instruction in Classics, Science, and English - -	1	11	6	per quarter.
For instruction in Science and English - - - - -	1	1	–	„

The Rates charged at Tipperary vary from 15 *s.* to 1 *l.* per quarter, according to the ability of the parents.

	£.	s.	d.	
The Rates charged at Drogheda, are - - - - - -	1	11	6	per quarter.
To Orphans of Clergymen - - - - - - -	1	1	–	„
The Rates charged at Ennis, are - - - - - - -	2	12	6	„
To Two Brothers (each) - - - - - - -	2	2	–	„

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RETURN of the Number and Value of the Exhibitions founded by the Governors in Trinity College.

20 @ 8*l.* (Irish) per annum.

15 @ 6*l.* (Irish) per annum.

RETURN of the Number of those Exhibitions conferred on Pupils from the Endowed Schools for Ten Years.

1844	- - -	2	1849 - - - 1
1845	- - -	2	1850 - - - 0
1846	- - -	2	1851 - - - 0
1847	- - -	4	1852 - - - 2
1848	- - -	1	1853 - - - 0

RETURN of the Names of the Governors, and the Number of Meetings of Governors held for the last Twelve Months, with the Names of the Governors who attended each of such Meetings.

Names of the Governors:

The Lord Primate.
The Archbishop of Dublin.
The Lord Chancellor.
The Lord Chief Justice, Q.B.
The Lord Chief Justice, C.P.
The Lord Chief Baron.
The Provost of Trinity College.
The Earl of Leitrim.
The Viscount Harberton.
Hon. Baron Pennefather.
Hon. Justice Torrens.
Hon. Judge Jackson.
The Archdeacon of Cashel.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
Lord Downes.
John Barlow, Esq. (Treasurer.)
Henry Kemmis, Esq., Q.C.
Wm. D. La Touche, Esq.
The Bishop of Cork.
George A. Hamilton, Esq., M.P.
The Hon. the Dean of St. Patrick's.
The Earl of Erne.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.
Robt. Wm. Law, Esq.
George F. Brooke, Esq.
Rev. J. H. Todd, D.D.
Rev. W. Chichester.
The Bishop of Tuam.
The Earl of Roden.
Hon. and Rev. F. Howard.
The Earl of Mayo.
The Bishop of Meath.
The Right Hon. the Recorder.
Sir J. K. James, Bart.
George Hoyte, Esq.
Jacob West, Esq.

NUMBER of Meetings held for the last Twelve Months (from 20 April 1853 to 20 April 1854): Fifteen.

NAMES of the Governors who attended each of such Meetings:

27 April 1853.

The Treasurer.
G. F. Brooke, Esq.
Robert W. Law, Esq.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.
Henry Kemmis, Esq.

28 April 1853.

The Treasurer.
The Honourable the Dean of St. Patrick's.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.
The Provost.
Rev. W. Chichester.
Robert W. Law, Esq.

25 May 1853.

The Treasurer.
Henry Kemmis, Esq.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.

24 June 1853.

The Treasurer.
Henry Kemmis, Esq.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
George F. Brooke, Esq.

20 July 1853.

The Treasurer.
The Honourable the Dean of St. Patrick's.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
Robert W. Law, Esq.

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27 July 1853.

The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
The Lord Bishop of Tuam.
The Honourable the Dean of St. Patrick's.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.
Robert W. Law, Esq.
George F. Brooke, Esq.
George Hoyte, Esq.

7 September 1853.

The Treasurer.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.
Henry Kemmis, Esq.

9 November 1853.

The Treasurer.
George A. Hamilton, Esq., M. P.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.
Rev. W. Chichester.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
The Honourable the Dean of St. Patrick's.
George F. Brooke, Esq.

17 November 1853.

The Treasurer.
Rev. Dr. Todd.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.

14 December 1853.

The Treasurer.
George A. Hamilton, Esq., M. P.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.
The Provost.
The Honourable the Dean of St. Patrick's.
Henry Kemmis, Esq.

11 January 1854.

The Treasurer.
George A. Hamilton, Esq., M. P.
Rev. W. Chichester.

2 February 1854.

The Treasurer.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
The Archdeacon of Cashel.
Rev. W. Chichester.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.
The Honourable the Dean of St. Patrick's.
The Right Honourable the Recorder.
Sir J. K. James, Bart.
The Honourable Judge Jackson.

1 March 1854.

The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
The Lord Bishop of Cork.
Rev. W. Chichester.
The Archdeacon of Cashel.
Henry Kemmis, Esq.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.
Robert W. Law, Esq.
George F. Brooke, Esq.
The Honourable the Dean of St. Patrick's.

12 April 1854.

The Treasurer.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
The Archdeacon of Cashel.
Rev. W. Chichester.

19 April 1854.

The Treasurer.
The Archdeacon of Glandelagh.
Theophilus Jones, Esq.
Henry Kemmis, Esq.
George F. Brooke, Esq.
George A. Hamilton, Esq., M. P.

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Deposited for purposes of reference in the Library of the House of Commons.

COPIES of the Rules and Ordinances or Statutes of the Governors for the Regulation of the several Colleges and Schools.

The Governors refer to the Charter for the Rules respecting the Grammar Schools.

And the Governors also forward herewith copies of the Rules relating to the English Schools upon the foundation.

RETURN of the Name of any Estate or Property heretofore possessed by the Governors in the County of Clare; and whether the Interest in the same has been lost, or in any and what manner determined:—

The Governors never possessed any estate or property in the county of Clare; but in or about the year 1773 the then Governors entered into an agreement with Josias Veitch, of the county of Dublin, Esq., for the purchase of so much of the lands of Cahircullamore, Cahircullabeg,

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cullabeg, Kilnakelly and Kiltie, situate in the county of Clare near the town of Ennis, as should produce a clear yearly profit rent of 100*l.* after the death of his wife. The negotiation for the completion of this purchase was carried on for several years, but no conveyance was ever executed, as the title could not be made out; and the purchase money was never paid.

John Barlow,
Treasurer and Chairman.

11 May 1854.

RULES to be observed in the English Schools, on the Foundation of the Governors of the Schools founded by *Erasmus Smith*, Esq.

1. SCHOOL shall be open at half-past nine on every week day, and shall close at three on every day except Saturday, on which day it shall close at one o'clock.

2. The roll shall be called at 10 o'clock on every morning, and immediately afterwards the teacher shall enter in the report book, the numbers then present.

3. On every day all children who have attained a suitable proficiency, shall read to the teacher a chapter in the Bible. The teacher shall examine the children as to their understanding what they have read, explaining the sense in plain language, without entering into controversial or abstruse matters.

4. The Bible shall be used for religious instruction only, and not for the purpose of teaching to spell, or to read.

5. The children whose parents are members of the Church, shall be instructed on at least one day in every week in the catechism of the Church of England, and no other catechism shall be taught or admitted into the school; the attendance of the children of other denominations, on this occasion, shall be as their parents may direct.

6. No child under the age of six years shall be admitted.

7. Parents or friends of children shall not interfere in the course of education in any manner whatever, except as before specified in Rule 5.

8. No books shall be admitted into the school but such as shall be approved of by the Governors.

9. A roll, register, and report book, according to the form prescribed by such model school as the Governors may approve, are to be kept by each master and mistress, and an abstract of the same, certified by the clergyman of the parish, is to be transmitted half-yearly, as has been usual, to the registrar. The roll, register, and report book, are to be kept in the school, for the purpose of being examined and checked by the inspector. Any child absent one month (except from illness) is to be struck off the roll, and not to be re-entered without the sanction of the local patron or the superintending clergyman. A list shall be kept of the books belonging to the school, containing their titles and the number of each; the list to be renewed the first weeks in January and July in each year, and a copy thereof to be inserted in each of the half-yearly reports.

10. Three vacations shall be allowed in each year; one at Christmas, and one at Easter, of a week each; and one in autumn of a fortnight; and no other vacation to be allowed. The commencement of each to be notified by the teachers, to the local patron or superintendent. The teacher to inform the inspector, (at the spring inspection,) when the autumn vacation takes place.

11. The teachers are to require the children to come to school cleanly, and in decent clothes, so far as their circumstances will allow, and they shall not permit them to sit down until after due inspection.

12. Monitors may be appointed by the teachers upon the plan pursued in such model schools as the Governors may approve; but care is to be taken that they be selected upon the grounds of assiduity, good conduct, and superior attainments; and arrangements must be made that their own instruction by the teacher shall be properly attended to.

13. The teachers shall not on any account whatsoever, permit the school-houses to be used for purposes not connected with the business of the schools, except when license for the performance of Divine service shall be granted by the bishop of the diocese, or when the sanction of the clergyman of the parish shall be obtained for the holding of a Sunday School.

14. The supply of books and school requisites is to be kept up by local funds; to this object the Governors are ready to contribute whenever their assistance is required; but in no case will their contribution exceed one-half of the sum required.

15. Any variation from the prescribed hours of business or times of vacation, must be made with the sanction of the patron or superintendent, and must be notified to the Governors.

N. B.—These Rules to be posted in a conspicuous part of the School-room.

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RULES respecting Teachers of the English Schools, on the Foundation of the Governors of the Schools founded by *Erasmus Smith*, Esquire.

1. MASTERS and mistresses are to be recommended *in writing* by the local patrons of the respective schools, and approved of by the Bishop of the diocese. Their appointment and dismissal rest with the Governors; and when the school-house is the property of the Governors, the teacher must, on appointment, give security in the sum of 100*l.*, conditioning for the immediate surrender of the house and premises, when required by the Governors. The proper form, with directions, is supplied by the Registrar.

2. Previously to their being appointed, they must pass an examination, conducted either by the Governors, or by some person deputed by them, to ascertain that they are duly qualified. The examination will extend to their acquaintance with the Bible and the Book of Common Prayer, more particularly with the Church Catechism and its proofs from the Holy Scriptures, in addition to the usual course of an English education. It is desired also by the Governors, that when masters are to be appointed for important schools they should be qualified to teach some of the most useful practical applications of Geometry.

3. They must be members of the Established Church, and must exhibit to the Inspectors proofs of their regular attendance on Divine worship in their respective parish churches, and of their having from time to time received the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, according to the rites of the Church of England.

4. They must not be engaged in any trade, business or employment which can interfere with their regular and punctual attendance at the school; nor is any teacher to hold more than three acres of land, nor any land farther than one mile from the school.

5. They must not have any private class in the school, nor instruct any pupil during school hours, other than those on the regular school list.

6. If at any time they be under the necessity of absenting themselves from the school during school hours, they shall enter the date and the time of their absence, with the occasion of the same, in the Report Book.

7. The fixed *salaries* of masters and mistresses are payable half-yearly (viz., on 1st May and 1st November) on the usual returns and certificates. *Gratuities* of teachers hereafter appointed, are not to exceed 5*l.*, which is payable only at the end of the year (terminating 1st November), and is contingent on the teacher's good conduct, and variable with the improvement of the children, the extent of the school, &c., as reported by the inspector. *Gratuities* will not be given to teachers who have not been in charge of schools for a full year ending 1st November. An extra premium of books to the value of 1*l.* is also given annually to *masters* of the *eight* best schools, and to *mistresses* of the *four* best schools.

8. For every 1*l.* of fixed salary, the masters and mistresses are bound to instruct *one* scholar *gratis*, if so many present themselves. Payments from the other scholars are to be regulated as the local patron or superintending clergyman may direct.

9. The masters and mistresses are apprised that their salaries and gratuities will be withheld unless it shall appear by the inspector's report that the religious instruction of the children, as prescribed by Nos. 3 and 5 of the "Rules to be observed in the English Schools," has been carefully attended to; and that if neglect on this point be persisted in, they will be dismissed.

10. The school-house and teacher's residence must be kept in repair by the Patron or Local Committee, except where an arrangement of a different nature has been entered into by the Governors, and except in very special cases explained and recommended by the inspector, and approved of by the Governors.

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